II. Doordarshan Transmitter under Implementation in Bihar and its Powers

Type	Transmitter	Power (Watts)
LPTs (4)	Kishanganj	500 W
	Gaya (DD2)	500 W
	Ramnagar	100 W
	Banka	100 W

Termination of services of News Readers

†4018. SHRI LAJPAT RAI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Doordarshan has terminated the services of expert News Readers in last few months;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the names, date of birth, educational qualifications and other details of the News Readers who have been found fit; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) No Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The details of the News readers presently empanelled are given in the statement (*see* below).

(d) Does not arise.

†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.

Statement

Details of News Readers presently empanelled by Doordarshan

English News Readers:

S.No.	Name	Date of Birth	Qualification
1.	Mrs. Mandeep Kaur	16.03.1973	B.A.
2.	Ms. Neethi Ravindran	15.09.1947	B.A.
3.	Ms. Sukanya Balakrishnan	31.03.1956	M.A.
4.	Ms. Sangeeta Bedi	27.03.1961	M.Com.
5.	Ms. Rini Khanna	19.04.1964	M.A.
6.	Ms. Alka Mookerjee	27.08.1971	B.A.
7.	Shri B. Vijaya Bhaskar	21.03.1972	M.A.
8.	Mrs. Geetika Oberoi	02.02.1962	B.A.
9.	Ms. Himani Dutta	08.09.1973	M.A.
10.	Ms. Meenu Goel	22.08.1970	B.A.
11.	Ms. Mona Sinha	21.01.1964	M.A.
12.	Ms. Preeti Tiwari	06.02.1966	M.A.
13.	Shri R. Swaminathan	03.03.1972	M.Phil.
14.	Shri Rajesh Mall	06.07.1973	M.Phil.
15.	Ms. Rama Sudhakar Patnaik	03.05.1961	M.A.
16.	Shri S. Rangabashiam	17.06.1973	B.Sc.
17.	Shri S.G.P. Verghese	10.02.1973	B.Com.
18.	Ms. Shilpa Kapoor	31.03.1973	M.A.
19.	Ms. Shobha Menon	28.10.1965	B.A.
20.	Shri Singge Dorje Kundan	15.08.1968	B.A.
21.	Shri Surajit Das Gupta	01.09.1972	B.Sc.
22.	Ms. Varsha Sinha	24.06.1969	M.A.
23.	Ms. Vineetha Menon	07.01.1964	M.A.
24.	Shri Gaurav Raina	02.07.1960	M.A.
25.	Ms. Ruchita Puri	18.08.1972	B.A.

Hindi News Readers:

Sl.No.	Name	Date of Birth	Qualification
1.	Mrs. Avinash Kaur	21.10.1959	M.Sc.
2.	Mrs. Gazala Amin	18.10.1957	M.A.
3.	Shri J.V. Raman	13.10.1945	M.A.
4.	Ms. Meeta Choudhary	10.02.1966	M.A.
5.	Ms. Manjari Joshi	19.03.1959	M.A.
6.	Mrs. Neelam Sharma	07.03.1967	M.A.
7.	Shri Shubhendu Amitabh	30.06.1964	LL.B/Ph.D.
8.	Ms. Sarla Maheshwari	14.04.1953	M.A./Ph.D.
9.	Ms. Sameena	18.05.1969	B.A., B.Ed.
10.	Shri Sanjeev Upadhyaya	30.11.1962	B.A.
11.	Shri Lalrin Sanghi Ralte	04.08.1959	B.A.
12.	Ms. Poonam Kerketta	21.06.1969	B.A.

Anchors—Hindi & English:

Sl.No.	Name	Date of Birth	Qualification	Rate of Fee per month
1.	Ms. Mrinal Pandey (Hindi)	26.02.1946	M.A.	Rs. 1,50,000/-
2.	Shri Rahul Dev (Hindi)	20.12.1956	M.A.	Rs. 1,50,000/-
3.	Shri Sunit Tandon (English)	12.08.1958	M.A.	Rs. 75,000/-
4.	Shri Nalin S. Kohli (English)	11.01.1971	B.A.,MBA, LL.B	Rs. 60,000/-

Return of National Film Awards by the recipients

4019. SHRIMATI SAROJ DUBEY:
SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that several award winners in the recent 48th National Film Festival have returned their awards to Government;